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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION
UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

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March 22, 2004

Sir:

This is a "Request for Continued Examination" under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114, the provisions of which do not apply to:

(1) A provisional application; (2) An application for a utility or plant patent filed under 35 U.S.C. 111(a) before June 8, 1995; (3) An international application filed under 35 U.S.C. §363 before June 8, 1995; (4) An application for a design patent; or (5) A patent under reexamination.

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☒ This Request for Continued Examination is being filed prior to the earliest of:

(1) Payment of the issue fee, unless a petition under § 1.313 is granted; (2) Abandonment of the application; or (3) The filing of a notice of appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit under 35 U.S.C. § 141, or the commencement of civil action under 35 U.S.C. §§ 145 or 146, unless the appeal or civil action is terminated.

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☐ An Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) and PTO-1449 form(s) is/are attached hereto for the Examiner's consideration.

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☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of () months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months.)

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The required fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) as required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed, is enclosed herewith:

☐ \$385.00 - small entity

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- ☒ The applicant(s) hereby petition(s) for an extension of three (3) month(s) pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.17 and 1.136(a). The fee has been calculated as shown below:
- ☒ NO extensions of time have been previously obtained in the prior application. Thus, a fee of \$950.00 is required for the full period of the above-requested extension of time.
- ☐ An extension of () month(s) was previously requested and paid for on in the instant application. Thus, a fee of \$0.00 is required to obtain an additional () month(s) extension.
- ☐ The fee of \$130.00 under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) for suspension of action is enclosed.
- ☐ Enclosed is(are) check(s) in the total amount of \$0.00 for the applicable filing fee, additional claims fee, suspension fee, and/or extension fees.
- ☒ Please charge Deposit Account No. 02-2448 in the amount of \$1,720.00.

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Respectfully submitted,

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